



October 21, 2005

Dear 238 Broadway Neighbors:

On or shortly after Monday, October 24, 2005, the City's contractor, S&R Corporation, will begin actual building deconstruction at 238 Broadway. Building deconstruction will take approximately 3 weeks to complete.

Work Completed to Date:

During September and October, the contractor began preparing for deconstruction, by conducting pre-construction surveys of surrounding properties, establishing rodent control (repeated baiting and monitoring), completing interior asbestos removal, fencing off the construction site, implementing tree protection measures, disconnecting utilities, beginning preliminary site demolition, and installing vibration monitoring equipment. In addition, the Water Department's contractor completed main line and water service upgrades on Dickinson St and Clark St.

Wood Building Deconstruction:

The contractor will deconstruct the wood building first, primarily using an excavator (and, when necessary, a crane). Wood building deconstruction is expected to take approximately 1 day to complete, and will be followed by 2-3 days of trucking out debris.

Brick Building Deconstruction:

After substantially completing deconstruction of the wood building, work will begin on the brick building. Brick building deconstruction will alternate between manual labor and crane work. Portions of the roof and some walls on the side of the building closest to abutting houses will be removed by hand (using jackhammers), while the crane will be used to remove other sections. Protective netting will be strung in back of the brick building to protect abutting houses from debris.

General Information:

General work hours for this project are Monday- Friday, 7 AM to 5 PM.

Throughout construction, the contractor will be hauling truck loads of debris out of Clark St and onto Broadway for removal; to allow trucks to safely get through, parking will be restricted on Clark Street during work hours. Please observe signage and avoid parking in posted No Parking areas during work hours.

The 238 Broadway site is a hardhat zone, with heavy construction activity and trucking expected for the next 3 weeks. *Please keep clear of the construction area at all times and be sure children do the same.*

Only abutters will be permitted to access Dickinson St and Clark St during building deconstruction. Police details will be on site to help manage traffic to and from the site, and to assist residents in accessing their homes.

Assistance and Information:

During this project, James Wilcox will act as the City's Project Manager, and Clerks-of-the-Works David Dick and Jane Demoulas will be on-site daily to oversee deconstruction. These DPW staff members will be able to provide information and assistance to local residents.

For additional assistance, please contact Rebecca Fuentes, Community Relations Manager, at (617) 349-6948/ rfuentes@cambridgema.gov. Please contact Rebecca if you have a *special need* or *disability*, and need to arrange for an accommodation or continuation of special services. Please also contact Rebecca if you would like to be added to the project's e-mail distribution list to receive future updates via e-mail.

If you ever have an urgent need and are directed to Rebecca's voicemail, please press "0" to be redirected to the receptionist, who can page a member of the project team in the field. For emergencies after hours or on weekends, please call the DPW 24-line at (617) 349-4860.

We thank you for your patience during this demolition process, and we hope you enjoy the improvements to the 238 Broadway site.

Sincerely,

James Wilcox
Project Manager

Rebecca Fuentes
Community Relations Manager